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SUBJECT: UKRAINE: INPUT FOR NEW REQUIRED REPORTS TO
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¶1. (U) The following is Embassy Kyiv's response to reftel.
Information in paragraph 2 of this cable responds directly to
questions found in paragraph 4 parts A-D of reftel.

¶2. (U) A. At Embassy Kyiv, the Economic Section takes the
lead on handling energy matters related to oil, gas,
electricity, alternative energy, energy efficiency, and
energy security. There are a total of 6 Officers, one OMS,
one EFM, and four FSNs in the Economic Section. The DOE
representative at post handles issues related to nuclear
energy and two FSNs assist in that work. The Foreign
Commercial Service (FCS) Office employs one full-time FSN as
its commercial energy specialist. The USAID Mission
Director, Deputy Director, Office for Economic Growth
Director, Senior Financial Sector Specialist, and two FSNs
work closely on coordinating energy-related assistance
programs, including a program on municipal heating reform.

¶B. The following is a breakdown of the positions and
employees in the Economic Section that work on energy
matters:

- 1 economic officer (energy): 80% of the time;
- 1 economic officer (ESTH): 10% of the time;
- 1 economic counselor: 30% of the time;
- 1 deputy economic counselor: 10% of the time;
- 1 EFM: 70% of the time;
- 1 FSN: 60% of the time.

¶C. Description of the positions of employees and the kind of
work they do:

- Economic Officer (Energy): Reports on developments in the
hydrocarbon and alternative energy sectors, meets with host
government officials responsible for energy policy, reports
on energy-related meetings and developments, maintains
contacts with hydrocarbon companies, liaisons with Department
of Commerce and Department of Energy representatives on
energy related commercial issues, supports energy-related
visits.

- Economic Officer (ESTH): Monitors developments in
Ukraine's alternative energy sector, especially biofuels, and
promotes energy efficiency through outreach events. He/she
is responsible for disseminating USG climate change policies
to senior Embassy officials and to the Ukrainian public, and
follows Ukraine's progress in creating Joint Implementation
and Clean Development Fund projects under the UN Framework on

Climate Change.

-- Economic Counselor: Briefs Ambassador and DCM on complexities of ever-changing energy sector on a regular basis. Engages high-level host government officials on energy issues and develops and maintains contacts with NGO and commercial representatives. Leads Mission advocacy efforts to get Ukraine to develop and implement a long-term natural gas strategy vis-a-vis Russia. Coordinates energy-related assistance.

-- Deputy Economic Counselor: Supervises both the energy and ESTH economic officers and assists Economic Counselor on briefing the front office on energy issues.

-- Eligible Family Member Economic Analyst: Analyzes and reports on hydrocarbon sector issues.

-- Economic Assistant FSN: monitors energy related discusses in local press, engages Ukrainian energy experts on contemporary issues, compiles energy sector statistics undertakes some economic reporting on energy issues.

D. Budget:

-- Personnel Costs: \$132,132.

-- Programs: \$7,000 (energy-related travel to different regions and energy officers' conference).

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